GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1185
ANSWERED ON:07.03.2002
SHIFTING OF BHUJ AIR STATION
PUSHPDAN SHAMBHUDAN GADHAVI

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have shifted the local news section of All India Radio from Bhuj to Rajkot;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government have received representations against this move; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government for its restoration?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) to (d): No Sir. Prasar Bharati has informed that since the Studio Complex was partlydamaged in the earthquake that hit Gujarat State on 26th January 2001, an order wasissued to temporarily shift the Headquarters of staff of RNU, AIR, Bhuj to AIR, Rajkot. Prasar Bharati later reviewed its decision and decided to maintain the status quo.